

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 12, 2019 – 7:30 P.M.

SNUG HARBOR- BUILDING P

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Joseph Ahlstrom, Excused
Anjail Ameen-Rice, Excused
Larry Beslow, Excused
Telee Brown, Absent
Sandy Carles
Loretta Cauldwell, Board Business
Anastasia Ciluffo, Absent
Anthony Cosentino
Megan Delmar, Excused
George Doyle
Claudette Duff
Linda Eskenas
Timothy Forsyth
John Guzzo, Excused
Celeste Holmes
Robert Holst
Sunny Jain, Excused
Lisa Lattanzio, Excused
Norman Light
John McBeth
Ali Mir Masum
Pearl Minsky
Mohan Radharkrishn
Friday Ogbewe
Ole Olsen, Excused
Ernest Paige
Catherine Paradiso, Excused
Amy Poirer, Board Business
Fran Reali, Excused
Chris Rooney
Marjorie Ryan, Absent
James Samuels, Absent
Anthony Scaturi
Nicolas Siclari
George Sona, Absent
Hakan Tale, Absent
George Turner, Excused
Kevin Washington, Absent
Daniel Williams
Camille Zarrelli, Excused
Bob Zion, Excused
Nicholas Zvegintzov

GUESTS

Donald DeRosa, Rep. Comptroller Stringer
Rowland Steward, Rep. Borough President Oddo
Hanane Dbajat, Rep. Assemblyman Malliotakis
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Rose
Genesis Gonzalez, Rep. District Attorney McMahon
P.O. Robert Johanson, Probation Dept.
P.O. Verona Waito, Probation Dept.
Nicole Brooks, NYC Parks & Recreation
Peter Raimond, Mariners Harbor Library
Robert Gibbs, St. George Library
Bruce Lauria, Pres. Westerleigh Improvement Society
Frank Marra, Clove Lake Civic Assn.
Michael Arvanites, Census/Red Cross
Joseph Helferty, NYC Dept. of City Planning, SI
Jorge Hernandez, NYC Dept. of City Planning, SI

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

Chairman Nicholas Siclari called the meeting to order at 7:36 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call attendance taken, a quorum was not present.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Michael Arvanites, Census Bureau spoke of positions available for the upcoming census. There are 40 clerical positions open and 500 plus census takers needed. CB#1 is the most uncouncted board on the Island. The positions last about 6-9 months and the pay are \$27.50 an hour. Apply at 2020census.gov/jobs or call 1855-job-2020.

Wearing a different hat, Mr. Arvanites mentioned if anyone needs smoke/carbon monoxide detectors installed, the Red Cross will come and install for you. For an appointment visit Soundthealarm.org or call 1-877-733-2767.

Mr. Richard Day from the Department of Sanitation had leaf bags available for leaf collection. If your neighborhood has compost pick up, you may leave the bags out with the compost all others should set the leaves out after 4:00 P.M. on November 16th and November 20th.

Mr. Mario Buonviaggio and Mr. Saul Porter asked the Boards support in naming the street Bart Giove owner of Brothers Pizzeria at the corner of Van Riper Street and Port Richmond Avenue.

Jahi Rose, Civilian Complaint Review Board spoke of Police Accountability spoke of the question on the ballot coming up to increase the Civilian Complaint Review Board from 13-15.

If anyone knows of anyone or needs to make a complaint against the PD you can contact him at Jrose@ccrb.nc.gov

Mr. Robert Gibbs from the New York Public Library, St. George Library spoke of programs offered at the libraries. On November 6th, 20th and December 11th from 6:00 -7:30 and on December 7th from 2:00 - 3:30 the Library is teaming up with Local voices Network and the City Newsroom for a recorded conversation on the matter that matter to you. You can sign up at nyc@lvn.org or call 347-286-4406. Flyers were available.

Mr. Troy Mcghie representing Councilwoman Rose spoke of the groundbreaking of the new school at 750 Targee Street.

The Councilwoman is now on the 2nd phase of the participatory budget. There is \$1 million dollars for the community. Many proposals were submitted, they are in the process of being vetted than they will be voted on.

Public Session closed.

Mr. Joseph Helferty and Jorge Ventura from the Department of City Planning, Staten Island Office showed a power point presentation on an upcoming zoning text amendment for coastal resiliency. Resilient Neighborhoods - East Shore Neighborhoods looks at developing a strategy to address long-term flood risks. The East Shore was selected for the study not only because it was severely impacted by Hurricane Sandy, but also because of the area's-built character and land use challenges. You can read more on the City Planning Website.

Ms. Holmes presented Kamillah Hanks with a Certificate of Recognition for all the hard work she does on the north shore:

Kamillah M. Hanks is a native Staten Islander and proud mother of four, who has been a leader and advocate for smart growth and positive economic development in the North Shore of Staten Island for over a decade. In 2012, Kamillah founded the Historic Tappen Park Community Partnership, where she works with civic leaders, community groups, and local schools to boost cultural and economic development in Stapleton and surrounding neighborhoods. Kamillah is particularly proud of pioneering Staten Island's first YouthBuild program, which provides a pathway for out of school, out of work young adults with advanced vocational education, leadership development, job training and valuable life skills. In 2018, YouthBuild Staten Island was one of two organizations to receive 1.1 million for the U.S. Department of Labor.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, TIMOTHY FORSYTH – No report.

THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE – No report.

SECRETARY, LORETTA CAULDWELL – No report.

TREASURER, LARRY BESLOW – The report is in the packet.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI - Community Board handbooks were distributed to all Board Members, they are a little out dated but the rules etc. still apply. We do not have a quorum here tonight, we are one member short. Is there any objection to holding the Board Meeting? There was no objection.

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO

Mr. Accornero presented the following three Land Use Applications:

Board of Standards and Appeals application Cal. No. 282-79-BZ for an extension of the term of a variance which expired July 24, 2009 for ten years for accessory off-site parking facility. Same is used exclusively for eating and drinking establishment on the opposite side of Richmond Avenue known as 1745 Forest.

This is the rear parking lot for the old Perkins on Forest Avenue. A Denny's is going to open at the location. The rear parking lot address is a/k/a 840 Richmond Avenue. There are lights in the center medium that will be working. Mr. Anthony DiLeo and his family owned the Perkins Restaurant as well as others on the Island.

MOTION MADE TO TABLE TO THE DECEMBER BOARD MEETING FOR CLARIFICATION AS TO THE EXTENSION LAPSE OF THE VARIANCE WOULD ALREADY BE EXPIRED. MOTION PASSED TO TABLE.

Department of City Planning Authorization Cal. Nos. N 190456 and N 190457, 26-36 Scribner Avenue – Authorizations filed to secure certifications for future sub-division and compliance to create six zoning lots for the construction of 6 one-family homes and restore the on-site tree planning for existing on-site trees removed without authorization.

There are two existing properties on a Tier 1 site in the Special Hillside Preservation District. During demolition 8 trees were removed. (Mr. Scaglione did not and does not do demolition jobs). Violations were issued for the removal of the trees which were subsequently dismissed when they went to the Environmental Control Board with the restoration to restore with 15 trees.

The current property is comprised of two zoning lots. The application proposes to create 6 zoning lot for the construction of six one family detached homes. Trees will be restored on the perimeter of the property.

MOTION TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED 14-6-0.

Department of City Planning Application Nos. N 190328 ZAR and N 190329 ZAR, 70 Cedar Terrace and N 190330 ZAR, N 190331 ZAR and 190332 ZAR, 74 Cedar Terrace – Proposal to build a total of 2 detached two-family homes in the Special Hillside Preservation District.

There was one home that was demolished and is being subdivided into two tax lots. The stone driveway at 70 Cedar Terrace is being preserved as is the stone patio in the rear, the homes are setback 50 feet as to not disturb the steep slope. This is a Tier 1 site with Tier 2 controls. There will be two eight by eight dry wells or each home. Each home will be 2800 square feet. Residents raised concern if Serpentine rock is found, there is strict oversight while the construction is in progress.

MOTION MADE TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED 20-0-0.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – No meeting, no report.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AMY POIRER – Ms. Poirer represented the Board at Richmond University Medical Center opening for people in need of help from gambling.

WATERFRONT, OLE OLSEN – No meeting no report.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – No meeting, no report.

YOUTH SERVICES, ERNEST PAIGE – No meeting, no report. Mr. Accornero reminded Mr. Paige to discuss the elimination of the gifted program in the schools.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – No meeting, no report.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No meeting, no report.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS COMMITTEE, NORMAN LIGHT -No meeting, no report.

VETERANS COMMITTEE, BOB ZION – No meeting, no report.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – Ms. Pearl Minsky would like to honor Carolyn Clarke on the Staten Island Philharmonic. Chairman Siclari informed Ms. Minsky she should inform Ms. Clarke to attend the January meeting.

LABOR, ROBERT HOLST – The committee will be working on different issues throughout the community. If anyone has any issues for the committee, please let Mr. Holst know and attend the meeting at 7:00 P.M. prior to the Board Meeting in Snug Harbor. The nurses have come to an agreement with Richmond University Medical Center,

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS –

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH, TIMOHTY FORSYTH/CAMILLE ZARRELLI – No meeting, no report.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH, JOHN GUZZO – No meeting, no report.

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, JOHN MCBETH – Mr. McBeth apologized for the late cancellation of the meeting in October, he had a family emergency.

CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. Mr. Doyle spoke of the new school on Targee Street that they recently had the groundbreaking. They are looking to name the school after Councilwoman Rose. A school should be named after lifelong Stapleton resident and President of the NAACP, Evelyn King.

WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE/LORETTA CAULDWELL – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.